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Themes

- Pedestrian Safety/ decrease speed limits on Beacon and 15th Avenues
- Coordinate and extend traffic signals that provide enough time to cross safely
- Increase safe crossing areas
- Increase traffic lights
- Increase police patrols
- Increase police response to calls regarding robberies, car thefts, accidents (police only come if there are injuries, otherwise they come hours after a report or not at all)

Housing

- Increase affordable housing units
- Develop property on southern edge of El Centro property to include parking and stores

Recreation

- Increase green zones
- Add a community center with space for cultural events, dances (Jefferson community center is too small and is always in use, also is very expensive)
- Add a community swimming pool
- Add community gymnasium for exercise and sports
- Add activities for youth, children and elderly
- Add community gathering hall for meetings and cultural events
- Add activities trail for walking and meeting neighbors
- Expand and improve El Centro's playground

Resources

- Legal clinic to assist with immigration issues
- Health clinic – for easy walk-in treatment (Odessa Brown and SeaMar are too far away)
- Improve travel inside the community
- Improve travel to So. White Center and West Seattle
- Improve access to Rainier Ave So.
- Free language schools for all
- Community wants art and institutions to be reflective of all Latino cultures in area (Mexican/ Salvadorean, Cuban, Puerto Rican, Guatemalan, etc)
- Increase Latin flavor and cultural icons
- Affordable child care
- Senior care

Parking/transportation

- Can we afford to ride the train?
- What will the cost be for transfers between buses and train?
- Street safety with increased traffic
- Pollution due to increased traffic

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- How will traffic and parking be monitored?
- Will there be long-term parking for non-residents?

Businesses

- We need a pharmacy
- We need a Laundromat for the community although we have access as residents of El Patio